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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: **Yoshinori NAKAYAMA**

Application No.: **09/379,104**

Filing Date: **August 23, 1999**

Title: **SCHEDULE RETRIEVAL METHOD FOR CONTROLLING
SCHEDULES AND SCHEDULE SERVER APPARATUS WITH
MULTISTAGEOUS IDLE-TIME RETRIEVAL MEANS**

Art Unit: **2164**

Examiner: **N. Nguyen**

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 30, 2002

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in the above-identified application responsive to the non-final Office Action dated February 13, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:


IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please **amend** claims 10-14, as follows:

- 1  ~~10. (Twice Amended)~~ A schedule management system, comprising:
- 2 a schedule server which stores schedules of participants and schedules of equipments